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## Navy Husband of Herald Society Editor Returning from Far East

Returning from its second week of action-filled duty in Korean waters, the escort carrier USS Bairoko will dock at the San Diego Naval Air Station, North Island, early Tuesday morning.

Aboard the Bairoko will be the personnel of Air Anti-Submarine Squadron 25, commanded by Lt. Cdr. A. J. Kelly, USN, of Coronado. One of the squadron members is Ensign Chester Russell Smith, husband of Marjorie Meyer Smith, society editor of the Torrance Herald.

Marjorie leaves the Herald this

week to join her husband, who is expecting orders to the Navy's all-weather school in Corpus Christi, Texas. The carrier is commanded by Capt. L. T. Morse, USN. Also aboard are Rear Admiral D. S. Cornwell, USN, of Coronado, commander, Carrier Division 15, and his staff.

Planes Score Heavily During the last six months the Bairoko's planes—Navy Guardians and Marine Corsairs—carried out scores of destructive raids on Communist ground targets. Extensive patrols were also conducted by the Guardians, the "killers" of the hunter-killer anti-submarine team.

The Bairoko departed for the Far East last December after a brief rest from 10 months of Korean fighting. The CVE was commissioned in July, 1945, and participated in the Bikini A-bomb tests, although it saw no action in World War II.

Inactivated in December, 1949, the carrier was the first major combatant vessel to be demobilized after war broke out in Korea.

## JUVENILE OFFICER TO SPEAK

Sunday morning worship service in Central Church will be conducted by laymen, according to Rev. Homer H. Miller, pastor, who will this week be attending the sessions of the California Annual Conference in Sacramento.

W. E. Bowen will preside and introduce the speaker, Joseph Kennick, superintendent of the Juvenile Bureau of Long Beach, where he has served with distinction for the past 12 years.

Kennick is not only known locally in our neighboring city, but has attained a national reputation in the field of social welfare and juvenile work. He has served as president of the Southern California Juvenile Officers Association and is a past president of the National Conference of Juvenile Agencies.

## Trio Helpers Gather

The Trio Helpers of Trio Rebekah Lodge, Lomita, will hold a pot-luck luncheon at the home of Mrs. Jos. Marriott, 2306 W. 255th St., Tuesday at 11 a. m., according to Mary B. Smith, noble.

## Married Man Nabbed As Molester Suspect

A married man, the father of two children, was booked on a charge of child molesting late Saturday night after three Torrance police officers allegedly saw the suspect fondle a nine-year-old girl in a downtown theater.

Scheduled to appear for preliminary hearing in Municipal Court June 9 is Walter Scott Swain, 48, of 16422 Ardath Ave. Bail was set by Judge Otto B. Willett at \$2500.

Police officer Pat Pattishal, reserve officer J. Anderson and Sgt. D. C. Cook said that while they sat in the show watching the suspect, he purportedly molested the little girl.

Officer Pattishal had been observing the suspect's actions for several weeks, he said, following reports that a man was bothering youngsters in the theater. Swain was booked on a felony count of lewd conduct. He gave his occupation as an aircraft worker.

Another girl, eight years old, had been bothered in the theater only a week and a half ago, police said.

## Critics Hail New Orchestra Following Debut

Debut of the Hay Wire Orchestra here last Thursday evening was being hailed by music lovers here this week as the highlight of the young symphony season in Torrance.

The group, featuring such exotic instruments as a banjo, guitar, trumpet and a gadget, entertained the families of the Torrance chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America in a special program at the Torrance YWCA building.

On hand to witness the debut, and furnish parts of the program, were members of the Torrance High School Tripsians Troop, 1133, and the Shell Oil Singers.

Howard Coursey, who plays the "gadget" in the orchestra, was master of ceremonies for the evening. Bud Bartholomew conducted the chorus.

Special guest of the evening was Richard Walton, 11, member of the Long Beach Boys Club, who sang two solos and appeared with the Shell Oil Singers.

The Thospians, under the direction of Danny Wedberg, presented a 20-minute sketch.

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